

Vedat Gashi Chairman, **Westchester County Board of Legislators** 

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THOMD SCULLY, SECRETARY The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract TO:

FROM: Honorable Vedat Gashi

Chairman, Westchester County Board of Legislators

Authority for the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with SUBJECT:

> the Young Women's Christian Association of Yonkers to provide a series of educational and developmental programs / services promoting the physical, mental and emotional health of County residents, for a term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2025 and terminating on December 31, \$025, for an amount not to exceed \$39,676.00, to be paid

pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriations.

Authority is hereby requested from your Honorable Board for the County of Westchester acting by and through the Westchester County Board of Legislators, (the "County") to enter into an agreement with the Young Women's Christian Association of Yonkers (YWCA Yonkers"), pursuant to which YWCA Yonkers will provide a series of educational and developmental programs/services promoting the physical, mental and emotional health of County residents (the "Agreement"). The Agreement will commence retroactively on January 1, 2025 and will terminate on December 31, 2025. In consideration for the services to be rendered by YWCA Yonkers, the County will pay an amount not to exceed \$39,676.00, to be paid pursuant to an approved budget and subject to appropriations.

Under the proposed Agreement, YWCA Yonkers will provide four (4) programs for County residents, including (1) a graffiti educational program for at risk youths, (2) a summer camp program for children ages 5-12, (3) a self-defense program for women, and (4) a health education program for all County residents.

The proposed Agreement will serve a public purpose by providing programs and services that will educate County residents and promote the physical, mental and emotional wellbeing of the Westchester community.

The goals and objectives of the proposed Agreement are for YWCA Yonkers to provide the following programs / services:

- Ken Davis' Graffiti Education Program: a comprehensive education program for at-risk youths that seeks to mitigate the legal risks of graffiti while fostering and promoting the participants' creative instincts. County funding for this program shall be \$9,919.00.
- Summer Camp Program: a summer camp program for children ages 5-12 providing educational and interactive opportunities for participants and a detailed curriculum including physical activities, field trips and arts and crafts. County funding for this program shall be \$9,919.00.
- Women's Self-Defense Program: a self-defense program for teenage and adult women and women who are victims of violence / assault or who are from underserved communities that provides participants with basic self-defense and awareness skills. County funding for this program shall be \$9,919.00
- Health Education Program: a series of health fairs which provide the Westchester community with information and resources on how to maintain healthy eating habits, strategies to improve mental health and "awareness booths" to inform participants about the severity and characteristics of certain illnesses and conditions. County funding for this program shall be \$9,919.00.

The goals and objectives of the Agreement will be tracked and monitored by the staff of the Westchester County Board of Legislators.

YWCA Yonkers seeks to contract with Tiger Schulmann's Martial Arts as a subcontractor for the YWCA Yonkers' Women's Self-Defense Program. Accordingly, authority is also requested to approve Tiger Schulmann's Martial Arts, an entity with years of direct experience in self-defense and marital arts instruction, as a subcontractor for the YWCA Yonkers' Women's Self-Defense Program.

Procedures (the "Policy"), pursuant to section 3 (a)(ix) thereof, which exempts contracts with teachers, lecturers, and other educational professionals or experts. This Agreement is also exempt from the Policy, pursuant to section 3(a)(xviii), which exempts contracts with persons for the creation and support of recreation projects, youth service projects and other appropriate programs and services for the prevention of delinquency and youth crime and the advancement of the moral, physical, mental and social well-being of the youth of Westchester County.

It is respectfully requested and recommended that your Honorable Board approve the annexed Resolution.

## RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Chairman of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, it is hereby:

**RESOLVED**, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through the Westchester County Board of Legislators, (the "County") is authorized to enter into an agreement (the "Agreement") with the Young Women's Christian Association of Yonkers ("YWCA Yonkers"), pursuant to which YWCA Yonkers shall provide a series of educational and developmental programs / services promoting the physical, mental and emotional health of County residents, for a term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2025 and terminating on December 31, 2025, for an amount not to exceed \$39,676.00, to be paid pursuant to an approved budget: and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the following subcontractor is approved for the Agreement:

Tiger Schulmann's Martial Arts 2361B Central Park Ave, Yonkers, NY 1215

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Agreement is also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget the "State Budget") proposed and adopted during the term of the Agreement. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State Budget and/or the adoption of a State Budget or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period of time after such release(s) or adoptions(s), to conduct an analysis of the impacts of any such State Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate the Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to YWCA Yonkers, then YWCA Yonkers shall have the right to terminate the Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Chairman of the Westchester County Board of Legislators, or his duly authorized designee, is hereby authorized to execute any documents and take such actions reasonably necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

Account to be Charged/Credited:

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Sub-unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Dollars
101	52	2509	0010	5100	\$39,676.00

Budget Funding Year(s) Start Date \_\_\_\_1/1/25 (must match resolution)

End Date 12/31/25

Funding Source	Tax Dollars\$39,676.00	
	State Aid	
\$39,676.00	Federal Aid	
(must match resolution)	Other	
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